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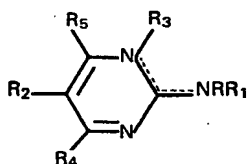
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(54) Novel pharmaceutically useful pyrimidines.

(57) There are described compounds of formula I,



in which one of the groups R and R₃ has no significance and the other is hydrogen, phenyl or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, and when R₃ has no significance R can additionally represent alkanoyl C1 to 6,

one of the bonds --- is a double bond and the other is a single bond,

R₁, and at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅, may be the same or different and are selected from a pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, thiazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, imidazolyl and phenyl ring, which rings may optionally be substituted by one or more of the groups halogen, -COOR₆, -COR₆, -CN, -CONH₂, -SO₂NR₆R₆, -NR₆R₆, -OR₆ or alkyl C1 to 6 which latter is optionally substituted by fluorine,

R₅ and R₆, which may be the same or different, each represent hydrogen or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by mono- or di-alkyl (C1 to 6) amino,

and the remainder of R₂, R₄ and R₅ are selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, alkyl C1 to 6 and alkoxy C1 to 6 in addition to the significances given above,

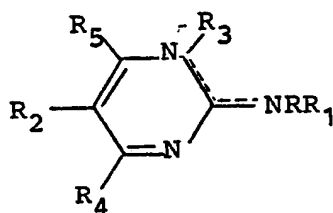
or R₁, and one of R₄ and R₅ have the significances given above and an adjacent pair of R₂, R₄ and R₅ together form a -CH=CH-CH=CH- chain, or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof.

Also described are processes for making certain of the compounds of formula I, formulations containing the compounds of formula I and their use as pharmaceuticals.

NOVEL PHARMACEUTICALLY USEFUL PYRIMIDINES

This invention relates to new compounds, methods for their preparation and compositions containing them.

According to the invention we provide the use as a
 5 pharmaceutical of a compound of formula I,



I

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in which one of the groups R and R₃ has no significance and the other is hydrogen, phenyl or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, and when R₃ has no significance R can additionally represent alkanoyl C1 to 6,
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one of the bonds --- is a double bond and the other is a single bond,

R₁, and at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅, may be the same or different and are selected from a pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, thiazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, imidazolyl
 20 and phenyl ring, which rings may optionally be substituted by one or more of the groups halogen, -COOR₅, -COR₅, -CN, -CONH₂, -SO₂NR₅R₆, -NR₅R₆, -OR₅ or alkyl C1 to 6 which latter is optionally substituted by
 25 fluorine,

R_5 and R_6 , which may be the same or different, each represent hydrogen or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by mono- or di-alkyl (C1 to 6) amino,

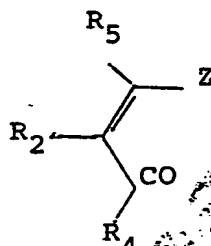
and the remainder of R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, alkyl C1 to 6 and alkoxy C1 to 6 in addition to the significances given above,

or R_1 , and one of R_4 and R_5 have the significances given above and an adjacent pair of R_2 , R_4 and R_5 together form a $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ chain,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

According to the invention we also provide as new compounds those compounds of formula I in which R_2 and R_4 do not together form a chain $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$, and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

According to the invention we also provide a process for the production of a new compound of formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, which comprises
a) reaction of a compound of formula II,

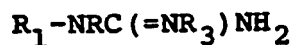


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in which R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are as defined above, and

Z is a good leaving group,

with a compound of formula III,



III

5 or a salt thereof,

in which R, R₁ and R₃ are as defined above,

- b) production of a compound of formula I in which R is alkanoyl C₁ to 6 by alkanoylation of a corresponding compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is
10 hydrogen,
- c) production of a compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is alkyl C₁ to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, by alkylation or phenylalkylation of a corresponding compound of formula I in which one of R and
15 R₃ is hydrogen,
- d) production of a compound of formula I carrying a -COOH substituent by hydrolysis of a corresponding compound of formula I carrying a -COOalkyl or -CONH₂ substituent,
- 20 e) production of a compound of formula I carrying an -OH substituent by removal of an alkyl group from a corresponding compound of formula I carrying an alkoxy substituent, or
- f) production of a compound of formula I in which at
25 least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅ is alkoxy optionally

- substituted by mono-or di-alkylamino, by reaction of a corresponding compound of formula I in which at least one of R_2 , R_4 and R_5 is hydroxy, with an optionally mono-or di-alkylamino substituted alkylating agent,

5 and if desired or necessary converting the resulting compound of formula I to pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or vice versa.

Process a) may be carried out in a solvent which is also a base, e.g. pyridine, and may be carried out at
10 temperatures ranging from 0° to the reflux temperature of the reaction medium, e.g. at about 115° . The good leaving group Z may be, for example, a dialkylamino, hydroxy or alkoxy, e.g. ethoxy, group. When R_4 in the compound of formula II is alkoxy the group R_4 in the
15 product compound is -OH.

The alkanoylation of process b) may be carried out using a suitable alkanoylating agent, e.g. an appropriate anhydride such as acetic anhydride, in pyridine. The reaction may be carried out at a temperature of from about
20 0 to 50°C .

Process c) may be carried out in a solvent which is inert under the reaction conditions, e.g. diethyl ether, acetone or acetonitrile. The alkylating agent may be, for example, an alkyl halide, e.g. methyl iodide, or a
25 phenylalkyl halide, e.g. benzyl bromide. The reaction may.

- . be carried out in the presence of a base, eg sodium hydride when substitution in position R is required.

The hydrolysis of process d) may be carried out using a base, e.g. sodium hydroxide, in a water miscible
5 solvent, e.g. ethanol or glyme.

Process e) may be carried out using conventional ether cleavage techniques, eg a mixture of acetic acid and hydrobromic acid or sodium sulphide in a suitable solvent, eg N-methylpyrrolidone. The reaction is preferably
10 carried out at an elevated temperature, eg of from about 80° to 100°C.

The alkylation of process f) may be carried out using conventional alkylation conditions, e.g. where R₄ in the product compound is to be methoxy using diazomethane in a
15 solvent which is inert under the reaction conditions, e.g. N,N-dimethylformamide. Alternatively the compound of formula I in which one of R₂, R₄ and R₅ is hydroxy may be reacted with an optionally substituted alkyl halide, e.g. in the presence of a strong base.

20 The compounds of formula I may be recovered from their reaction mixture using conventional techniques which are known per se.

The starting materials for the above processes are either known or they may be made from known compounds
25 using conventional techniques known per se.

Pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compounds of formula I include acid addition salts with pharmaceutically acceptable organic or inorganic anions, e.g. the chloride, sulphate, maleate or tartrate anions.

5 The compounds of formula I, and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, are useful because they possess pharmacological activity in animals; in particular they are useful because they possess immunoregulant activity, e.g. in the test set out in Example A. Thus the new
10 compounds are indicated for use in the elevation of depressed immune responses associated with therapy, e.g. with cytotoxic drugs, immunosuppressive drugs or by radiotherapy or surgery. The compounds thus render the patient less susceptible to immunosuppressive side effects
15 such as secondary infectious episodes or bone marrow depression. The compounds may be applied as an adjunct to existing therapy.

The compounds are also indicated for elevation of depressed immune responses associated with secondary
20 immunodeficiency disease (AIDS, neoplastic disease) and in infectious diseases mediated by viral, bacterial, fungal or metazoan parasitic agents. Thus the compounds may be applied alone or with an anti-infective agent. The compounds are further indicated for use in thermal
25 injuries, surgery (post-operative stress), wound healing

- and immunodeficiencies associated with ageing. The compounds are also indicated to modulate aberrant immunoregulatory pathways as seen in rheumatoid arthritis and systemic lupus erythematosus.

5 For the above mentioned uses the dosage administered will, of course, vary with the compound employed, the mode of administration, the treatment desired (e.g. topical, parenteral or oral) and the disease indicated. However, in general, satisfactory results are obtained when the
10 compounds are administered at a dosage of from 0.1 to 200mg per kg of animal body weight in the test set out in Example A. For man the indicated total daily dosage is in the range of from 1mg to 1000mg and preferably from 10mg to 500mg, which may be administered, for example twice
15 weekly, or in divided doses from 1 to 6 times a day or in sustained release form. Thus unit dosage forms suitable for administration, e.g. oesophageally, comprise from 2mg to 500mg, and preferably 1mg to 500mg of the compound preferably admixed with a solid or liquid pharmaceutically
20 acceptable diluent, carrier or adjuvant.

We prefer R_1 and those of R_2 , R_4 and R_5 which represent rings to be different. We also prefer at least one of R_1 and R_2 to be a substituted ring. Thus when
25 R_2 , R_4 or R_5 is a benzene ring we prefer the ring to carry a substituent in a position para to the pyrimidine

. group. When R_1 is a benzene ring we prefer the ring to be unsubstituted or to carry a substituent para to the group $-NR-$. Specific substituents on the benzene (or other rings) are halogen, e.g. chlorine; hydroxy; alkoxy
5 Cl to 6, e.g. $-OCH_3$; $-CN$; $-COOH$; $-COOCH_3$; $-COCH_3$;
 $-SO_2N(CH_3)_2$; $-N(CH_3)_2$; $-CH_3$ or
 $-OCH_2CH_2N(C_2H_5)_2$. We prefer R_3 to have no
significance. Specific values for R are H, $-CH_3$,
 $-C_2H_5$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_3$, $-CH(CH_3)_2$, acetyl,
10 2-methylpropanoyl, phenyl or benzyl. We prefer R_4 to be
hydrogen.

We particularly prefer R_2 to be a para substituted,
e.g. a para alkoxy (methoxy) substituted, benzene ring,
 R_4 and R_5 to be hydrogen, R_3 to have no
15 significance, R to be alkyl C1 to 4, e.g. methyl, or
alkanoyl C2 to 4, e.g. acetyl, and for R_1 to be phenyl
and preferably unsubstituted phenyl.

According to our invention we also provide a
pharmaceutical composition comprising (preferably less
20 than 80%, and more preferably less than 50% by weight) of
a compound of formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable
salt thereof, in combination with a pharmaceutically
acceptable adjuvant, diluent or carrier. Examples of
suitable adjuvants, diluents or carriers are: for tablets,
25 capsules and dragées; microcrystalline cellulose, calcium

phosphate, diatomaceous earth, a sugar such as lactose, dextrose or mannitol, talc, stearic acid, starch, sodium bicarbonate and/or gelatin; for suppositories, natural or hardened oils or waxes; and for inhalation compositions, coarse lactose. The compound of formula I, or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, preferably is in a form having a mass median diameter of from 0.01 to 10 microns. The compositions may also contain suitable preserving, stabilising and wetting agents, solubilisers, sweetening and colouring agents and flavourings. The compositions may, if desired, be formulated in sustained release form. We prefer compositions which are designed to be taken oesophageally and to release their contents in the gastrointestinal tract.

Compounds of formula I in which R_2 , R_4 or R_5 is hydroxy can also exist in tautomeric keto forms which are also encompassed within the present invention.

The invention is illustrated, but in no way limited by the following Examples.

Example 1

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine

2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-dimethylaminoacrolein (10.0g)

and phenylguanidine bicarbonate (10.0g) were heated at reflux in pyridine (100ml) for 17 hours. The solvent was

removed in vacuo and the resulting residue was suspended

- in chloroform and washed with 2N sodium hydroxide solution followed by water. The suspended solids (9g) were collected by filtration and recrystallised from ethyl acetate to give the title compound as a white solid (5.4g) melting point 216-9°.

Found: C73.61, H5.45, N15.00%
C₁₇H₁₅N₃O requires C73.65, H5.42, N15.16%

Example 2

1,2-Dihydro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-2-phenyliminopyrimidine

Methyl iodide (19.2 g) was added to a solution of 5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylaminopyrimidine (1.5 g) in N,N-dimethylformamide (150ml) and the mixture was stirred for 22 hours at 100°. After evaporation, the residue was dissolved in chloroform and the solution was washed with 3% potassium hydroxide solution. Drying over magnesium sulphate and evaporation gave the title compound (1.42 g) as an orange solid. mp 124-125°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₇N₃O; C:71.46, H:5.37, N:13.16,
Found: C:71.55, H:5.49, N:13.23.

Example 3

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine

A suspension of 60% sodium hydride (8.7 mg) in N,N-dimethyl-formamide (5 ml) was added to a solution of

- 5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine (100 mg) in N,N-dimethylformamide (8 ml) and the mixture was stirred for 15 minutes at 0°. Methyl iodide (51 mg) was added and the solution was stirred for 30 minutes at 0°. The solvent was evaporated off and ethanol was added to the residue. The resulting precipitate was collected by filtration to give the title compound (66 mg) as a white solid. mp 149-150°.

Example 4

10 N-Acetyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine

- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine (1.0 g) was suspended in acetic anhydride (50 ml) and the mixture was stirred for 5 hours at 90°. The resulting clear solution was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was dissolved in chloroform (150 ml) and the solution was washed with 5% sodium bicarbonate solution followed by water. Drying over magnesium sulphate and evaporation gave an oily residue, which was applied to a silica gel column and eluted with a mixture of chloroform and methanol to afford the title compound as a white solid (0.98 g). mp 90-91°.

Anal. Calcd. for $C_{19}H_{17}N_3O_2$, C:71.46, H:5.37, N:13.16,
Found: C:71.55, H:5.49, N:13.23.

- 25 Using the process of this Example there was also

made:-

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-methylpropanoyl)-N-phenyl-pyrimidine-2-amine. mp 118.5-120°.

Example 5

5 4-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl]aminobenzoic acid

Methyl 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-pyrimidin-2-yl]aminobenzoate (2.0 g) was dissolved in the mixture of dioxane (150 ml), water (60 ml) and 1N sodium hydroxide solution (18 ml) at 100° and the solution was stirred
10 for 18 hours at room temperature. 1N Hydrochloric acid (18 ml) was added to the reaction mixture. The resulting precipitate was collected by filtration and washed with water and methanol successively, dried over phosphorous pentoxide under reduced pressure to give the title
15 compound (1.65 g) mp > 300°. Mass m/z 321 (M⁺).

Example 6

5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine
-2-amine

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine
20 -2-amine (1.0 g) was heated at reflux in a mixture of acetic acid (80 ml) and 47% hydrobromic acid (80 ml) for 3 hours. The solvent was evaporated off and the resulting residue was suspended in water and neutralised to pH5 with sodium bicarbonate. The suspended solid was collected by
25 filtration and dissolved in ethyl acetate. The solution

was subjected to silica gel column chromatography and eluted with ethyl acetate to give a yellow solid. The solid was washed with a small amount of acetone to afford the title compound (0.5 g) as pale yellow crystals.

5 mp 246-247.5°. Mass m/z 279 (M^+).

Example 7

5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine

(2.0 g) and sodium sulphide (2.81 g) were heated at 140°
10 in N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (10 ml) for 24 hours. After cooling, the mixture was acidified with 0.1N hydrochloric acid. The resulting precipitate was collected by filtration to give a yellow solid. The solid was washed with carbon disulphide to give the title compound (0.94 g)
15 as a white solid. mp 205-206°. Mass m/z 263 (M^+).

Example 8

N-Phenyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine

p-Methoxy acetophenone (5.65 g) and N,N-dimethyl-formamide dimethylacetal (8 ml) were heated under reflux
20 for 2 days. After evaporation, the residue was washed with ether to give 1-(N,N-dimethylamino)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propanone (5.81 g). The propanone (4.0 g) and phenylguanidine carbonate (3.89 g) were heated under reflux in pyridine (50 ml) for 12 hours. The solvent was
25 evaporated off and the residue was treated with chloroform

and water. The organic layer was collected and the solvent was evaporated to give a yellow solid, which was subjected to a silica gel column chromatography, eluted with chloroform to afford the title compound (2.45 g) as
5 white crystals. mp 145-146°. Mass m/z 277 (M⁺).
Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₅N₃O, C:73.63, H:5.45, N:15.15.
Found: C:73.74, H:5.59, N:15.24.

Example 9

N-Phenyl-5-(4-pyridyl)-pyrimidine-2-amine

10 3-Hydroxy-2-(4-pyridyl)propenal (3.0g), prepared from -picoline by the method described in the literature (Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm., 28, 863 (1963)), and phenylguanidine carbonate (4.0g) were heated at reflux in pyridine (30ml) for 12 hours. The solvent was evaporated
15 off and the resulting residue was dissolved in conc. hydrochloric acid. The solution was washed with chloroform and neutralised with 50% potassium hydroxide. The resulting precipitate was collected to afford a white solid. The solid was recrystallised from methanol to
20 give the title compound (0.96g) as white crystals mp. 244-245.5°.

Example 10

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylamino-4(1H)-pyrimidinone

25 Ethyl 3-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acrylate (14.00g) and phenylguanidine carbonate (10.47g) were heated under

- reflux in pyridine (280ml) for 17 hours. After the reaction mixture was cooled, the resulting precipitate was collected. The crude product was suspended in hot ethyl acetate and collected after cooling to afford the title
5 compound (10.8g) as white crystals. mp 250°.

Analysis:

Calcd for $C_{17}H_{15}N_3O_2$,

C:69.61, H:5.15, N:14.33.

Found:

C:70.02, H:5.27, N:14.58

Example 11

10 4-Methoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine
-2-amine

- A solution of diazomethane in ether, prepared from p-toluene-sulfonylmethylnitrosamide and potassium hydroxide according to the literature (Org. Syn., Coll.
15 Vol. 4, 2550 (1963)), was added to a solution of
5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylamino-4(1H)-pyrimidinone
(3.0g) in N,N-dimethylformamide (200ml). The reaction
mixture was stirred overnight and acetic acid was added to
decompose diazomethane. The solvent was evaporated and
20 the residue was dissolved in chloroform and washed with an
aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate and brine. Drying
over magnesium sulphate and evaporation gave a crude
product, which was applied to a silica gel column
chromatography eluting with a mixture of chloroform and
25 methanol to afford the title compound (1.3g) as white

crystals. mp. 208-209°. MS m/z 307 (M⁺).

Example 12

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-pyrimidyl)pyrimidine-2-amine

A mixture of 2-chloropyrimidine (3.5g) and guanidine
5 carbonate (2.73g) in N,N-dimethylformamide (30 ml) was
heated at reflux for 36 hours. After evaporation of the
solvent, the residue was dissolved in methanol (15ml) and
a 28% solution of sodium methoxide in methanol (6.5ml) was
added. The resulting precipitate was removed by
10 filtration and the filtrate was concentrated to give a
brownish residual oil, which was dissolved in pyridine
(50ml) and, after 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-dimethylamino-
acrolein (6.28g) was added, the mixture was heated at
reflux overnight. The solvent was evaporated and methanol
15 was added. The resulting precipitate was collected and
purified by dissolution in conc. hydrochloric acid and
neutralization with potassium carbonate. The precipitated
solid was collected, washed with 0.1N sodium hydroxide and
dissolved in chloroform. After treatment with activated
20 charcoal, chloroform was evaporated and the residue was
washed with methanol to give the title compound (0.91g) as
white crystals. mp; 200-202°.

Example 13

5-[4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl]-N-methyl-N-
25 phenylpyrimidine-2-amine

A mixture of 5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenyl pyrimidine-2-amine (1.0g) and sodium sulfide (1.34g) in N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (10ml) was heated at 140° for 22 hours. After cooling, the mixture was acidified with 0.1N hydrochloric acid and the resulting precipitate was collected by filtration. The solid was washed with chloroform to give 5-(4-hydroxyphenyl)N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine (0.61g) as a white solid. This compound was dissolved in N,N-dimethylformamide (10ml) and sodium hydride (0.22g) was added. After addition of a solution of 2-diethylaminoethyl chloride hydrochloride (0.452g) in N,N-dimethylformamide (10ml) at 0°, the mixture was stirred for 4 hours at 40°. The solvent was evaporated and chloroform and water were added to the residue. The organic layer was separated and dried over magnesium sulfate. Evaporation of the solvent gave a yellow solid (0.84g), which was dissolved in chloroform and the solution was subjected to silica gel column chromatography. Elution with chloroform gave the title compound (0.69g) as a pale yellow solid. mp; 67-68.5°.

In a similar manner were prepared:-

1. N,5-Di-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 179-180°
2. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methylphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 186-7°.

3. N-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)
pyrimidine-2-amine mp 195-7°.
4. N,5-Diphenylpyrimidine-2-amine mp 171-2°.
5. 5-(4-Methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
5 mp 180-1°.
6. 5-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
mp 206-7°.
7. N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)
pyrimidine-2-amine
10 mp 137-9°
8. N-Acetyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine mp 74-5°.
9. N-Methyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine mp 118-9°.
- 15 10. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenyl-N-propylpyrimidine
-2-amine mp 72-4°.
11. 5-(4-Dimethylaminophenyl)-N-methyl-N-
phenylpyrimidine-2-amine mp 140-1°.
12. N-(4-Cyanophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-pyrimidine-2-
20 amine mp 183-6°.
13. N,N-Diphenyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 141-3°.
14. Methyl 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimid-2-yl]
aminobenzoate mp 188-90°.
- 25 15. N-Benzyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-

- amine mp 116-8^o.
16. N-(4-Acetylphenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-pyrimidine
-2-amine mp 185-7^o.
17. 4-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimid-2-yl]aminobenzamide
5 mp 263-5^o.
18. N,N-Dimethyl-4-[2-(N-methyl-N-phenyl)amino-
pyrimidin-5-yl]benzene sulphonamide mp 190-192^o.
19. N-Methyl-N-phenyl-4-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
mp 88-90^o.
- 10 20. 4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine mp 104-106^o.
21. N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 116-117.5^o.
22. N-Phenyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine
15 mp 238-9^o.
23. 1,2-Dihydro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylimino-1-
propylpyrimidine mp 73-74.5^o.
24. N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 127.5-8.5.
- 20 25. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-(N-methyl-N-phenylamino)
-4(1H)-pyrimidone mp 205-207^o.
26. 4-Methoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenyl
pyrimidine-2-amine mp 113-114^o.
27. 5-(2-Methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
25 mp 129-131^o.

28. N-Methyl-5-(2-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
mp 88-9°.
29. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(2-methylphenyl)-
pyrimidine-2-amine mp 116-117.5°.
- 5 30. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-methylphenyl)pyrimidine-2-
amine mp 104-6°.
31. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine mp 163-5°.
32. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4,N-dimethyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
10 amine mp 102-4°.
33. 4,6-Dimethoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine
-2-amine mp 160-2°.
34. 4,6-Dimethoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-
phenylpyrimidine-2-amine mp 112-15°.
- 15 35. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)pyrimidine
-2-amine mp 240-2°.
36. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)-
pyrimidine-2-amine mp 139-41°.
37. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(pyrimidin-2-yl)
20 pyrimidine-2-amine mp 96-8°.
38. N-Phenyl-5-(pyrazin-2-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 207-8°.
39. N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(pyrazin-2-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 129.5-130.50°.
- 25 40. 3-(2-Phenylaminopyrimidin-5-yl)pyridazine

- mp 196-7°.
41. 3-[2-(N-Methyl-N-phenylamino)pyrimidin-5-yl]pyridazine
mp 146-7.5°.
42. N-Ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
5 mp 99.5-100.5°.
43. 1,2-Dihydro-1-ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylimino-
pyrimidine mp 83-4°.
44. N-Phenyl-4-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 149-50°.
- 10 45. N-Methyl-N-phenyl-4-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine
mp 109-11°.
46. 5-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine
-2-amine mp 102-3°.
47. 5-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine
15 -2-amine mp 73-75°.
48. 1,2-Dihydro-2-phenylimino-1-propyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)
pyrimidine hydroiodide mp 235-237°.
49. 5-(1-Methylimidazol-2-yl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine
mp 160-161.5°.
- 20 50. N-Methyl-5-(1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-N-phenyl
pyrimidine-2-amine mp 187.5-188.5°.
51. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(1-methylethyl)-N-phenyl
pyrimidine-2-amine mp 112-115°.

Example A

- 25 Augmentation of depressed immune responses

Tumour bearing animals are often found to have significantly depressed immune responses. This depression is currently thought to be a result of the tumour releasing immunosuppressive factors. In man, this immunosuppression is further exacerbated by the treatment of the tumour, such as surgery, chemotherapy and radiotherapy, all of which are known to cause immunosuppression.

The compounds of the invention augment immune responses in normal animals. To ascertain if augmentation can be achieved in tumour bearing animals or drug treated animals the following Experiments are performed.

a) C57/B1 mice receive subcutaneous implantations of small pieces of Lewis lung sarcoma just above their hind legs. The compound is dosed orally at 50mg/kg daily for the next four days. One week after implantation the mice are sensitised with 5% oxazolone on their shaved abdomen and further dosed with test compound as above for the next two days. 14 days after implantation the mice are challenged on their left ears with 1% oxazolone and ear thickness increases (a measure of a delayed contact cell mediated immune response) are read 24 hours later. The delayed contact response in control mice with tumour implants alone is significantly inhibited.

b) The immune response to oxazolone in C₅₇B1 mice is

inhibited by the alkylating agent cyclophosphamide, given two days after sensitisation with oxazolone, at a dose of 200mg/kg by the intraperitoneal route. A 64% inhibition of the contact response was observed. In mice dosed with the compounds of the invention at 20mg/kg by the subcutaneous route, the day before, on, and the day after sensitisation, the inhibition was decreased thus showing a significant rescue from the inhibitory effect of cyclophosphamide.

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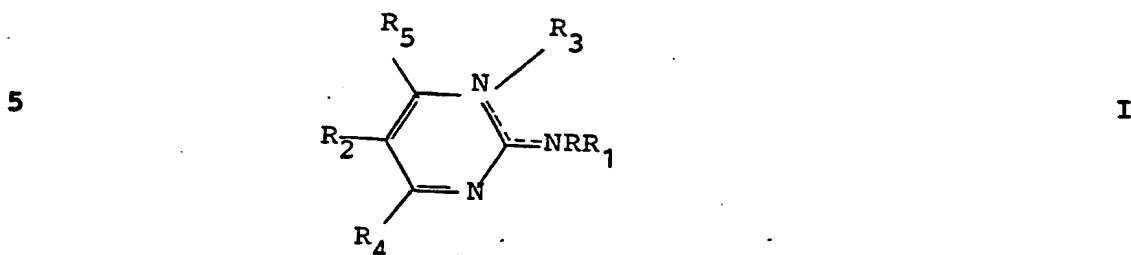
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. What we claim is:-

1. The use as a pharmaceutical of a compound of formula I,



- 10 in which one of the groups R and R₃ has no significance and the other is hydrogen, phenyl or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, and when R₃ has no significance R can additionally represent alkanoyl C1 to 6,

- 15 one of the bonds --- is a double bond and the other is a single bond,

- R₁, and at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅, may be the same or different and are selected from a pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, thiazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, imidazolyl
20 and phenyl ring, which rings may optionally be substituted by one or more of the groups halogen, -COOR₅, -COR₅, -CN, -CONH₂, -SO₂NR₅R₆, -NR₅R₆, -OR₅ or alkyl C1 to 6 which latter is optionally substituted by fluorine,

- 25 R₅ and R₆, which may be the same or different,

each represent hydrogen or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by mono- or di-alkyl (C1 to 6) amino,

and the remainder of R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, alkyl C1 to 6 and alkoxy C1 to 6
5 in addition to the significances given above,

or R_1 , and one of R_4 and R_5 have the significances given above and an adjacent pair of R_2 ,

R_4 and R_5 together form a $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ chain,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt
10 thereof.

2. A compound of formula I as defined in Claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof in which R_2 and R_4 do not together form a chain
 $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$.

15 3. A compound according to Claim 2, wherein R_3 has no significance.

4. A compound according to Claim 2 or 3, wherein R_2 is a para alkoxy substituted benzene ring, R_4 and R_5 are both hydrogen, R is alkyl C1 to 4 or alkanoyl C2 to 4 and
20 R_1 is unsubstituted phenyl.

5. A compound according to any one of Claims 2 to 4, wherein R_2 is a para methoxy substituted benzene ring and R is methyl or acetyl.

6. A compound according to Claim 2 which is
25 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-

amine, or

N-Acetyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine.

7. A compound according to Claim 2 which is

5 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
1,2-Dihydro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-2-phenyliminopyrimidine,

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-methylpropanoyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

10 4-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl]aminobenzoic acid,
5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,

5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

N-Phenyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,

15 N-Phenyl-5-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylamino-4(1H)-pyrimidinone,

4-Methoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-pyrimidyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,

20 5-[4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl]-(N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

N,5-Di-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,

25 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methylphenyl)pyrimidine-2-

- amine,
N-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)
pyrimidine-2-amine,
N,5-Diphenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5 5-(4-Methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)
pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Acetyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
10 amine,
N-Methyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenyl-N-propylpyrimidine-2-
amine,
15 5-(4-Dimethylaminophenyl)-N-methyl-N-
phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-(4-Cyanophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-
amine,
N,N-Diphenyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
20 Methyl 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimid-2-yl]
aminobenzoate,
N-Benzyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine,
N-(4-Acetylphenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine
25 -2-amine,

- 4-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimid-2-yl]aminobenzamide,
N,N-Dimethyl-4-[2-(N-methyl-N-phenyl)amino-
pyrimidin-5-yl]benzene sulphonamide,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-4-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5 4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Phenyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
1,2-Dihydro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylimino-1-
10 propylpyrimidine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-(N-methyl-N-phenylamino)
-4(1H)-pyrimidone,
4-Methoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenyl
15 pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(2-Methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-5-(2-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(2-methylphenyl)-
pyrimidine-2-amine,
20 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-methylphenyl)pyrimidine-2-
amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4,N-dimethyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
25 amine,

- 4,6-Dimethoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine
-2-amine,
- 4,6-Dimethoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-
phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)pyrimidine
-2-amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)-
pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(pyrimidin-2-yl)
10 pyrimidine-2-amine,
- N-Phenyl-5-(pyrazin-2-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
- N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(pyrazin-2-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 3-(2-Phenylaminopyrimidin-5-yl)pyridazine,
- 3-[2-(N-Methyl-N-phenylamino)pyrimidin-5-yl]pyridazine,
- 15 N-Ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 1,2-Dihydro-1-ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylimino-
pyrimidine,
- N-Phenyl-4-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
- N-Methyl-N-phenyl-4-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 20 5-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 1,2-Dihydro-2-phenyl-1-propyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)imino-
pyrimidine hydroiodide,
- 5-(1-Methylimidazol-2-yl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 25 N-Methyl-5-(1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-N-phenyl-

- pyrimidine-2-amine, or

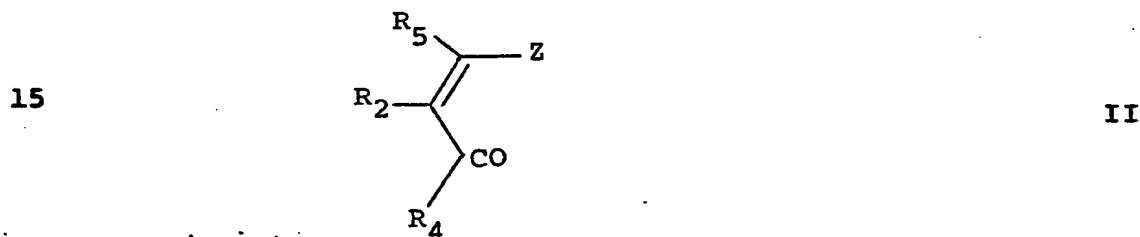
5- (4-Methoxyphenyl)-N- (1-methylethyl)-N-phenyl
pyrimidine-2-amine.

8. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound
5 according to any one of Claims 2 to 7 and a
pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvant, diluent or carrier.

9. The use of a compound according to any one of Claims
2 to 8 for the manufacture of a medicament for the
treatment of a patient having depressed immune responses.

10. A process for the production of a compound according
to Claim 2, which comprises

a) reaction of a compound of formula II,



in which R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are as defined above, and

Z is a good leaving group,

- 20 with a compound of formula III,



or a salt thereof,

- 25 in which R, R_1 and R_3 are as defined above,

- b) production of a compound of formula I in which R is alkanoyl C₁ to 6 by alkanoylation of a corresponding compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is hydrogen,
- 5 c) production of a compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is alkyl C₁ to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, by alkylation or phenylalkylation of a corresponding compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is hydrogen,
- 10 d) production of a compound of formula I carrying a -COOH substituent by hydrolysis of a corresponding compound of formula I carrying a -COOalkyl or -CONH₂ substituent,
- e) production of a compound of formula I carrying an -OH substituent by removal of an alkyl group from a corresponding compound of formula I carrying an alkoxy substituent, or
- 15 f) production of a compound of formula I in which at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅ is alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-or di-alkylamino, by reaction of a corresponding compound of formula I in which at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅ is hydroxy, with an optionally mono-or di-alkylamino substituted alkylating agent,
- 20 and if desired or necessary converting the resulting compound of formula I to pharmaceutically acceptable salt
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. thereof or vice versa.

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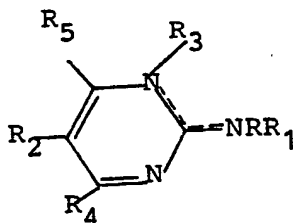
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What we claim is:-

1. A process for the production of a compound of formula I,



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in which one of the groups R and R₃ has no significance and the other is hydrogen, phenyl or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, and when R₃ has no significance R can additionally represent alkanoyl C1

15 to 6,

one of the bonds --- is a double bond and the other is a single bond,

R₁, and at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅, may be the same or different and are selected from a pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, thiazolyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, imidazolyl, 20 and phenyl ring, which rings may optionally be substituted by one or more of the groups halogen, -COOR₅, -COR₅, -CN, -CONH₂, -SO₂NR₅R₆, -NR₅R₆, -OR₅ or alkyl C1 to 6 which latter is optionally substituted by 25 fluorine,

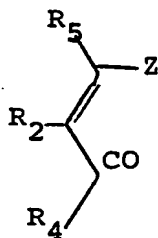
R_5 and R_6 , which may be the same or different, each represent hydrogen or alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by mono- or di-alkyl (C1 to 6) amino,

and the remainder of R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, alkyl C1 to 6 and alkoxy C1 to 6 in addition to the significances given above,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof,

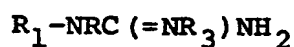
which comprises

a) reaction of a compound of formula II,



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in which R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are as defined above, and Z is a good leaving group, with a compound of formula III,



III

or a salt thereof,

in which R , R_1 and R_3 are as defined above,

b) production of a compound of formula I in which R is alkanoyl C1 to 6 by alkanoylation of a corresponding

compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is hydrogen,

c) production of a compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is alkyl C1 to 6 optionally substituted by phenyl, by alkylation or phenylalkylation of a corresponding compound of formula I in which one of R and R₃ is hydrogen,

d) production of a compound of formula I carrying a -COOH substituent by hydrolysis of a corresponding compound of formula I carrying a -COOalkyl or -CONH₂ substituent,

e) production of a compound of formula I carrying an -OH substituent by removal of an alkyl group from a corresponding compound of formula I carrying an alkoxy substituent, or

f) production of a compound of formula I in which at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅ is alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-or di-alkylamino, by reaction of a corresponding compound of formula I in which at least one of R₂, R₄ and R₅ is hydroxy, with an optionally mono-or di-alkylamino substituted alkylating agent,

and if desired or necessary converting the resulting compound of formula I to pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or vice versa.

25 2. A process according to Claim 1, wherein R₃ has no

significance.

3. A process according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein R_2 is a para alkoxy substituted benzene ring, R_4 and R_5 are both hydrogen, R is alkyl C1 to 4 or alkanoyl C2 to 4 and
5 R_1 is unsubstituted phenyl.

4. A process according to any one of Claims 1 to 3, wherein R_2 is a para methoxy substituted benzene ring and R is methyl or acetyl.

5. A process according to Claim 1, wherein the compound
10 of formula I is

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine, or

N-Acetyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine.

15 6. A process according to Claim 1, wherein the compound of formula I is

5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

1,2-Dihydro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-2-phenyliminopyrimidine,

20 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-methylpropanoyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

4-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl]aminobenzoic acid,

5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,

25 5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,

- N-Phenyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Phenyl-5-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylamino-4(1H)-pyrimidinone,
4-Methoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine
5 -2-amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-pyrimidyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-[4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl]-(N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenyl
10 pyrimidine-2-amine,
N,5-Di-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methylphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)
15 pyrimidine-2-amine,
N,5-Diphenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)
20 pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Acetyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
25 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-phenyl-N-propylpyrimidine-2-

- amine,
5-(4-Dimethylaminophenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-(4-Cyanophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5 N-methyl 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl]aminobenzoate,
N-Benzyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
10 N-(4-Acetylphenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
4-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl]aminobenzamide,
N,N-Dimethyl-4-[2-(N-methyl-N-phenyl)amino-15 pyrimidin-5-yl]benzene sulphonamide,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-4-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
20 N-Phenyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
1,2-Dihydro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylimino-1-propylpyrimidine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-(N-methyl-N-phenylamino)-25 -4(1H)-pyrimidone,

- 4-Methoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenyl
pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5-(2-Methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-5-(2-methylphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(2-methylphenyl)-
pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(2-methylphenyl)pyrimidine-2-
amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
10 amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4,N-dimethyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-
amine,
- 4,6-Dimethoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine
-2-amine,
- 15 4,6-Dimethoxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-
phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)pyrimidine
-2-amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)-
20 pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-(pyrimidin-2-yl)
pyrimidine-2-amine,
- N-Phenyl-5-(pyrazin-2-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-5-(pyrazin-2-yl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
- 25 3-(2-Phenylaminopyrimidin-5-yl)pyridazine,

3-[2-(N-Methyl-N-phenylamino)pyrimidin-5-yl]pyridazine,
N-Ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
1,2-Dihydro-1-ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylimino-
pyrimidine,

- 5 N-Phenyl-4-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-N-phenyl-4-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
5-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-N-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
1,2-Dihydro-2-phenyl-1-propyl-5-(pyrimidin-4-yl)imino-
10 pyrimidine hydroiodide,
5-(1-Methylimidazol-2-yl)-N-phenylpyrimidine-2-amine,
N-Methyl-5-(1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-N-phenyl-
pyrimidine-2-amine, or
5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-N-(1-methylethyl)-N-phenyl
15 pyrimidine-2-amine.

7. The use of a compound of formula I as defined in any
one of Claims 1 to 6, or a pharmaceutically acceptable
salt thereof, for the manufacture of a medicament for the
treatment of a patient having depressed immune responses.

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